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We still have a small backlog of articles for YOUR Journal. Keep up the good work and keep those articles coming...

Hope you made the Ocean City Meeting & Hope to see you in Baltimore on December 10...

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

.NEXT MEETING

December 10 Baltimore Coin & Currency Convention

11 AM Room TBA

Baltimore Convention Center

BANC Show for 2006

Sunday – February 5, 2006

June 4, 2006

October 1, 2006

Cromwell Bridge Holiday Inn 9AM – 4PM

(We can always use Volunteers to help out)

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..... PRESIDENTS LETTER
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Sorry that this letter is a bit late. Many things converging at once! The delay allows me to report on the Maryland Token and Medal Society meeting at the recent Maryland State Numismatic Association Coin Show and Convention in Ocean City. We had a decent turnout at our meeting and the MSNA show had record attendance on Saturday. The highlights of the meeting centered around elongated coins. Two different elongated sets were produced for this show in Ocean City. MSNA and the Salisbury Coin Club (local host club) produced a set with the show design that pictured a marlin. Elongated cents with this design were given out to each person who attended the show. The other set was the one done by MD TAMS that had a ship's wheel as the centerpiece of the design commemorating the MD TAMS meeting at the show. This design rolled on a new keelboat nickel was also given out to those attending the show. Both elongated sets were on sale at our meeting. The MSNA sets were subsequently also sold at public registration. A major surprise was the donation to MSNA by Dave Thaxter of a special unique elongated set rolled on the five 2005 silver quarters. This beautiful set has the MSNA/Salisbury show design. MSNA is currently deciding whether to auction it off or sell chances to win the set. Dave and Metro Coins also donated the gold coin for the MD TAMS exhibit award. Many thanks go to Dave for his continued support to MD TAMS and MSNA. While discussing the Ocean City show, it is worthy of note that although there were not many exhibits, most of them were exonomia and/or token & medal related. Special congratulations to Mill Hajek who not only won the Peoples Choice Award but the MD TAMS gold coin award for best Token & Medal exhibit. His exhibit of Ocean City amusement tokens was a big hit.

At our upcoming December meeting, we are going to introduce a new feature. This will mark the beginning of a theme of having a presentation of about 20-25 minutes at our meetings. Many members have indicated a desire to get more of an educational focus for our meetings and we are going to give it a try. In December, Mitzi Stratemeyer, wife of MD TAMS member Bill Stratemeyer will give us a presentation about her family's immigration to the United States via Baltimore and the environment in the city at that time. Please make a concerted effort to attend. This should be very interesting. If you are willing to give a presentation on local history, collecting, etc., please let me know so I can keep the focus going. We will still have an auction and we will try to shorten the business portion of the meeting.

I would be remiss if I did not remind everyone of the schedule for the Baltimore Area Numismatic Coalition (BANC) Coin Shows for 2006. Again, we will have three Sunday shows and the dates are as follows: 5 FEB 2006, 4 JUN 2006 and 1 OCT 2006. MD TAMS participation in BANC is extremely important to MD TAMS. We need all our members to support the shows. Volunteer to work at the show, come buy some items for your collection or some supplies, take a chance on the gold coin, etc. Without the success of the BANC shows, our treasury would be considerably lighter. BANC will soon be asking MD TAMS to confirm its three representatives to BANC. If you would like to represent MD TAMS on the BANC board, please let me know. Yours truly is the BANC Director and Bourse Chair for the three shows and would like some relief in 2007. Give it some thought. BANC needs the help.

I also want to take this opportunity to thank Will Mumford, our stellar Journal editor, for all his work to keep our Journal healthy. It is a great representation of MD TAMS. I also want to thank all of the members who take time and put in considerable research and effort to provide articles for the Journal. I want to again thank Russ Sears and Wally Stone, the winners of our first place and runner-up annual literary awards respectively. As our several stalwart authors keep providing Will with great material, we could certainly use some new authors.

Edward L. Craig
President, MD TAMS

June 18, 2005

Minutes of the MD TAMS meeting held today at the Union Mills Homestead, Union Mills, MD

I-Meeting called to order by VP (M.W.) Hajek at 11:45am with 13 members and 4 guests in attendance (copy of attendance sheet is attached).

II-VP Hajek welcomed everyone to the meeting.

Note:R. Ruby spoke about the tour (of the various buildings, etc.) we would be taking after our meeting (he was also thanked for making the arrangements for today's meeting, etc.)

III-Minutes of our last meeting (03-12-05) read by Secretary J. Boswell. Motion by R. Sears, 2nd by J. Hammond that said minutes be approved as read. Motion passed unanimously.

IV-Treasurer's Report:R. Ruby (our treasurer) read his report (copy attached). Motion by B. Doxzon, 2nd by R. Sears that said report to stand unless or until it is audited. Motion passed unanimously.

V-Old Business:M. Hajek noted that our next meeting is 08-13-05 at the Baltimore Convention Center at 11:00am (Room number TBA),

VI-New Business:

-J. Boswell noted that we had received a ballot for this year's ANA Election and that it needed to be acted on today. Motion by R. Ruby, 2nd by J. Hammond that we vote for the candidates we had previously nominated and that said ballot be sent in. Motion passed unanimously.

VII-Announcements:R. Ruby noted that our guide for the tour at Union Mills would be "Chuck" Ives (he also presented Mr. Ives with a copy of our "Maryland Merchant Tokens" book for the Homestead's Library)

VIII-Show & Tell:

a-B. Bodt:Stencils used by Harford County farmers on their packing boxes, etc.

b-W. Stone:Ruler with a Strayer-Bryant & Stratton College "logo" on it

c-M. Hajek:Carroll County, MD tokens used by the Shriver's, etc. (the Shriver Family once owned Union Mills and still owns property in the area).

IX-Break taken so everyone could "stretch their legs", view the auction lots & bring in the "fixings" for our picnic lunch,

X-Auction conducted by R. Sears (who was assisted by M. Hajek (with J. Boswell & R. Ruby the tabulators) which resulted in \$8 in commission being added to our treasury.

XI-Picnic lunch (constituting of fried chicken, fruit casserole, etc.) was enjoyed by all and was followed by a very enjoyable tour of the Union Mills Homestead (Mill, Tannery, Shriver House, etc.).

Note:All of those who brought the "goodies" for our picnic lunch were thanked for same.

Respectfully Submitted,

James M. Boswell, Secretary
MD TAMS

August 13, 2005

Minutes of the MD TAMS Annual meeting held today in Room 301 of the Baltimore Convention Center:

- (I) Meeting brought to order by President (E. Craig) at 11:03am with 18 members and 2 guests in attendance (attendance sheet attached),
- (II) Minutes of last meeting (03-12-05) read by Secretary (J. Boswell). Motion by J. Hammond, 2nd by M. Hajek that the minutes in question be approved as read. Motion passed unanimously,
- (III) Treasurer's Report: Read by Treasurer R.W. Ruby. Copy of the report is attached. Said report to stand unless/until audited,
- (IV) Committee Reports:
 - a: Journal-Our editor (W. Mumford) thanked those members who had been submitting articles for our Journal, said he had a few articles on hand and that more articles are needed,
 - b: Elongated Quarters-M. Hajek said he had some 2004's on hand but the 2005's weren't in yet,
 - c: References: 1--J. Burford reported that his update on MD Wooden 5¢ tokens is almost ready (he received a well deserved round of applause for his efforts on this & other subjects),
2--Unlisted MD Tokens-M. Hajek reported that he is still accepting listings for this forthcoming update on MD Tokens,
 - d: Nominations of Officers: No new candidates were nominated so, all current officers agreed to serve another term. Motion (which passed unanimously) by R. Sears, 2nd by W. Mumford, the following people were re-elected: President-E. Craig, VP-M. Hajek, Secretary-J. Boswell, Treasurer-R. Ruby and Board of Directors: J. Burford & B. Bodt,
- (V) Announcements:
 - a: E. Craig-Help is needed for the next BANC Show (held at the Holiday Inn in Cromwell Bridge Rd. (Exit 29 of the Baltimore Beltway)) on 10-02-05,
 - b: E. Craig-Reminded everyone of the MSNA (MD State Numismatic Association) Convention/Show to be held on October 8th & 9th, 2005 at the Ocean City, MD Convention Center,
 - c: J. Boswell-Miscellaneous "flyers", etc. we had received that were to be destroyed if no one wanted them,
 - d: M. Hajek-Elongated set to be made for BANC,
 - e: R. Ruby-A medal from Hampstead, MD and a shorty history of it and
 - f: J. Boswell-Private mint medals he had available
- (VI) Old Business: None
- (VII) New Business:
 - a: Membership Award (for recruiting most new members): J. Boswell,
 - b: Literary Bucks: Given to: J. Boswell, E. Craig, W. Mumford, R. Ruby & R. Sears,
 - c: Literary Awards (for 2004-05): 1st to R. Sears (for his Jesse Tyson article) who received a 3 medal set (silver, copper & pewter example of the medals we had for the 2003 ANA); runner-up to W. Stone for his article on Electric Park (who received an example of the copper & pewter medals in question plus a Certificate)
 - d: Give Aways: Elongateds (only 47 rolled for Ocean City Meeting on 10-09-05),
- (VIII) Break taken so members could "stretch their legs" and view the auction lots and
- (IX) Auction (auctioneer was R. Sears who was assisted by E. Craig and the "tabulators" were J. Boswell and R. Ruby) which resulted in \$8 (not including donations) being added to our Treasury.

Respectfully Submitted,

James M. Boswell, Secretary
MD TAMS

MD TAMS MEETING of Saturday, October 8, 2005.

The meeting was called to order by President Craig at 1:00 p.m. in room 204M at the Ocean City Convention Center. In attendance were 13 members and 3 guests. (Attendance sheet attached)

Minutes of the meeting of August 13th prepared by Secretary Boswell were read by Mill Hajek in the absence of Jim. The minutes were approved as read.

Treasurers report given by Treasurer Bob Ruby and was approved as presented. (Copy attached.)

President Craig presented Wally Stone, who was absent at our last meeting, with a Literary Buck and Runner-up Literary Award Certificate for his article on Electric Park.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

1.) In the absence of Journal Editor Will Mumford, president Craig urged the members to submit articles for our MD TAMS Journal.

2.) Mill Hajek reported on the elongated coins and sets prepared for this Convention & Show.

3.) REFERENCES:

a.) Joe Burford is working on the second supplement for elongated coins and expects to have it completed in 2008.

b.) Mill Hajek is working on an "unlisted token" supplement and requested members to submit information for unlisted tokens in their collection. A copy of the supplement to date was made available at the meeting.

CORRESPONDENCE: The Society received the following mail:

1.) Post card from ANA announcing deadline to submit bourse applications for their convention.

2.) Post card announcing the show dates for the Richmond Coin Club.

3.) Ali Ghan Shrine Club auction flyer announcement.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

1) Ed Craig informed the membership about the sudden death of Paul Finck.

2.) President Craig informed the membership that ANA has created a relief fund for the coin clubs in Louisiana as a result of devastation by Hurricane Katrina. (Article attached.)

3.) president Craig informed the membership about the generosity of Dave Thaxter's donation of raffle prizes, exhibit prizes and MSNA elongated die costs for this show. Dave also had a 6 silver 2005 State Quarter coin set made which he donated to MSNA and will be auctioned off or raffled off later. It was suggested that it would be great if members do business with Dave's shop to show our support for all he has done for the various clubs including MD TAMS.

4.) Mill Hajek announced that he had BANC, MD TAMS and MSNA special 6 coin elongated sets for sale at \$5 per set to those members interested in a great souvenir or who are collecting elongated coins.

5.) Simcha Kuritzky offered a 1974 Mary Brooks Mint Director medal for sale.

6.) President Craig announced the program for our December 10th meeting at the Baltimore Convention Center during The Suburban show will be by Mitz Stratemeyer and her family immigration to Baltimore.

7.) Members were invited to attend the Baltimore Coin Club meeting of Thursday, October 20th to hear a guest speaker Wayne Shaumburg talk about the "Great Baltimore Fire."

8.) President Craig suggested that members visit the exhibit area to view some excellent tokens exhibits on display.

OLD BUSINESS:

1.) The slate of officers prepared by the nominating committee officially took office.

President – Ed Craig

Treasurer – Bob Ruby

Vice-President – Mill Hajek

Governor – Joc Burford

Secretary – Jim Boswell

Governor – Bernic Bodt

2.) No other old business was discussed.

NEW BUSINESS:

1.) A motion was made and passed to donate \$50 to the ANA in memory of Paul Finck.

2.) A motion was made and passed to donate \$25 to the ANA fund to help coin clubs in Louisiana.

GIVE-AWAYS:

Each member present received a MSNA show design elongated on a British half-penny. Attendees to the show received a MSNA elongated rolled on a cent and a MD TAMS elongated rolled on a keel boat nickel.

SHOW-AND-TELL:

1.) President Craig informed the members about the Ravens tokens being offered by the Sun paper.

2.) Mill Hajek displayed the current listing of "Unlisted tokens" supplement.

3.) Joe Burford and Ed Craig discussed the locations of elongated rolling machines around Ocean City as well as those in Baltimore and Annapolis.

4.) A web site for elongated collectors is www.tecnews.org and click on penny collectors.

5.) Bill Ayres lead a brief discussion on Anne Arundel County pickers shacks.

TEN MINUTE BREAK

AUCTION: Ed Craig acted as auctioneer in the absence of our regular auctioneer Russ Sears.

The meeting was adjourned but the secretary pro temp forgot to note the time.

Respectfully submitted,

Millard W. Hajek – Secretary Pro Temp

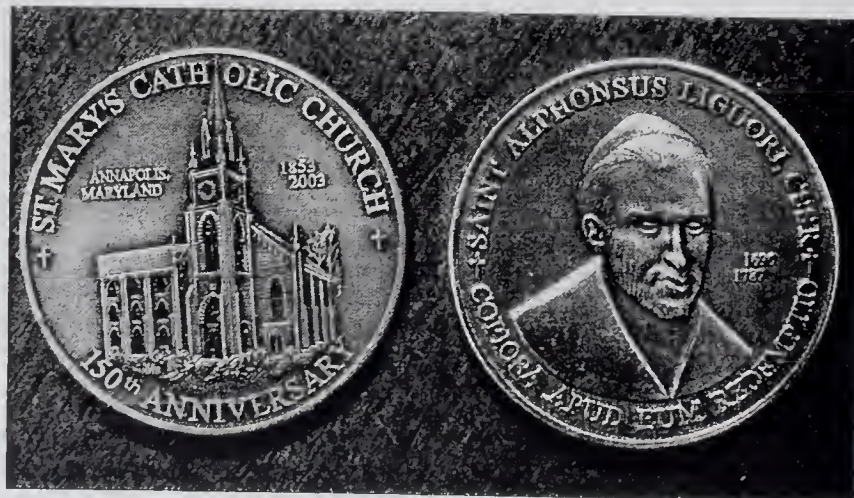
A New Annapolis Medal for St. Mary's Church

By. W. Wallace Stone R-47.

A new medal issued in Annapolis, Md. Just prior to Christmas of 2003 commemorates the 150th anniversary of the St. Mary's Catholic Church. The medal has been issued in silver and bronze and measures 28 mm, with a plain edge. The obverse of the medal shows the church in full detail while the reverse shows the founder of the Redemptorist order, St. Alphonsus Liguori. Priests of that order serve the parishioners of St. Mary's.

The medal was designed by local church member and long time coin collector Henry "Hank" Schab, and through his diligent work and attention to details the issue was completed and available to members of the church as well as the Annapolis community just prior to the Christmas holiday season.

To purchase the 150th anniversary medal, one may go to the rectory office of St. Mary's Church on Duke of Gloucester Street, Annapolis , Md. For more information call the church at 410- 263-2396.



Stone Bridges of Washington County, Maryland

Millard W. Hajek

In the early days of Washington County, travel was difficult because of the Antietam and Conococheague Creeks, and their many branches. Between the years 1819 and 1863, more than 30 stone bridges were constructed to solve this dilemma and provide passage over the creeks. Washington County's stone bridges were built by Army engineers. Travelers brought to the area by the newly constructed National Road depended upon these bridges. Of the more than 30 bridges that were built in Washington County, 24 are still standing. Though many of them look similar and were designed by the same engineer, no two are alike.

Wilson Bridge (1817-1819), the oldest and perhaps the most graceful of Washington County's limestone arches, was considered a modern marvel at the time of its completion in 1819. Its fine workmanship by the mason Silas Harry, served as a pattern for some thirty-stone bridges that would follow in the region. The five-arch, 210-foot-long bridge carried the state-chartered National Pike (later designated U.S. Route 40) over Conococheague Creek to join the National Road at Cumberland, providing a pivotal link between eastern seaport cities and Western markets. Wilson Bridge was bypassed in 1936, when U.S. Route 40 was rerouted and a newer bridge built down stream. It remained open for local traffic until 1972, when flood damage from Hurricane Agnes relegated it to foot traffic. The specimen in my collection was issued in bright copper.



Three stone arch bridges over Antietam Creek played crucial roles in the famous Civil War battle of 1862: **Burnside Bridge**., also known as Lower Bridge; the now-demolished Middle Bridge; and Upper Bridge, known as Hitt Bridge after a nearby mill and also as Hicks Bridge. Union troops camped near Hitt Bridge on the eve of the battle. During and after the conflict, a house and a barn nearby became a makeshift Union hospital. In 1836 the master bridge builder John Weaver put the finishing touches on Lower Bridge, a beautiful proportioned, 192-foot-long stone bridge over Antietam Creek. Twenty-six years later the bridge became the battleground for the bloodiest day of fighting in the Civil war. On that pivotal day, September 17, 1862, nearly five thousand Americans lost their lives in the rolling hills and farmland near Sharpsburg. Ever since, the bridge has borne the name of General Ambrose P. Burnside, commander of the Union troops that stormed the bridge under withering Confederate fire. Now under the care of the National Park Service, the three-arch bridge has been faithfully restored to its original condition, including the wooden coping that tops its walls. Medals commemorating this bridge were issued in bright copper and antique bronze.

A historic plaque affixed to **Rose's Mill Bridge** 1839, Funkstown, a three-arch, 132-foot-long bridge built to service a grain mill on Antietam Creek, credits John A. Wever as the builder. Historians are not certain if he is the same John Weaver who built many other Washington County stone arch bridges. The widened platform at the southwest corner permitted wagons to load and

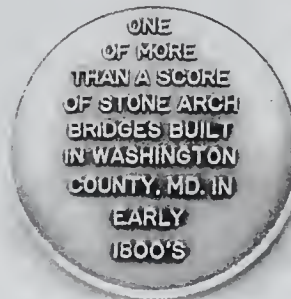
unload from the building's second story door. The westernmost arch extends over dry land today but originally spanned the adjacent millrace. Crumbling remnants of a few stone walls are poignant reminders of the thriving mill that brought wagons clattering over the bridge, part of Garis Shop Road. This medal was issued in bright copper and antique nickel.



Among Washington County's early 19th century stone arch bridges are structures which carried the **Chesapeake & Ohio Canal** over streams in the county. Two of the largest, the Antietam and Conococheague Aqueducts were built in 1834. Both have squared columns and three arches. The Conococheague Aqueduct is considered to be the most beautiful, of the five aqueducts in the county. Its features are quite detailed and decorative. The specimen in my collection was issued in bright copper.

Finely crafted of local limestone, the Roxbury Mill Bridge, a 1824, three-arched bridge takes Roxbury Road over Antietam Creek south of Funkstown. Situated near the Roxbury sawmill, a site later occupied by a large distillery complex, it measures 169 feet long. Piers on both sides of the bridge have a rounded conical shape, although other limestone bridges have pyramidal-shaped piers. Sources vary as to the bridge's designer: it was either the mason Silas Harry or James Lloyd bridge-building firm of Pennsylvania. The ruins of two stone structures associated with the distillery complex are located along the west bank of Antietam Creek. A similar three-arch bridge was the Shafer's Mill Bridge, 1833, also known as the **Funkstown Bridge** is located on East Oak Ridge Drive over Antietam Creek. The Funkstown Bridge was issued in antique bronze and antique nickel.

All of the medals illustrated here have the following description on the reverse. ONE / OF MORE / THAN A SCORE / OF STONE ARCH / BRIDGES BUILT / IN WASHINGTON / COUNTY. MD. IN / EARLY / 1800'S



REFERENCES: Historic Bridges of Maryland, Dixie Legler and Carol M. Highsmith, Maryland Department of Transportation, State Highway Administration

2004/2005 Visitors Guide, Washington County Hagerstown

THE MYSTERY OF 711 SOUTH DALLAS STREET, BALTIMORE, MD.

BY. W. Wallace Stone. R-47

While browsing through a coin dealers "junk box" I came across a small item that caught my eye as a Maryland as well as a Baltimore collectable. A round aluminum fifty cent size key chain fob which you could have your name and address imprinted on for the price of a quarter from a hand operated machine. These were popular in tourist areas during the late 1930's and 40's. It would not be unusual to find these machines in a National Park tour office, airports, bus terminals, train stations and other locations where people were to congregate or wait for their appointed task to be completed. The reverse is blank with the exception of the following verbiage in tiny incuse lettering, "Pat. No. 1455289 HARVARD AUT. MACH. Co. , Jamestown, N.Y." , located in the center of the star design. The diameter is 33 MM, with a denticle border, a six pointed star with the American flag in the center surrounded by the inscription, "S. WODKA 711 SOUTH DALLAS. ST. BALTO. MD."

I was curious as to where South Dallas Street was located within the city of Baltimore and if the building still was standing. The first place for some information was to check an older city directory of 1887. This indeed listed both South Dallas and Dallas Street with street numbers the same as today. (These must not have been re-numbered after the great fire of 1904). The area of South Dallas St. is located in the Fells Point region of the water front in downtown Baltimore and west of the Canton section. The 1940 as well as the 1942 edition of the Baltimore city directory listed a John Wodka living at 711 South Dallas St. however, it did not indicate any employment information. The next directory I was able to gain access to was the 1956 edition, and this listed the address of 711 South Dallas St. as being "vacant".

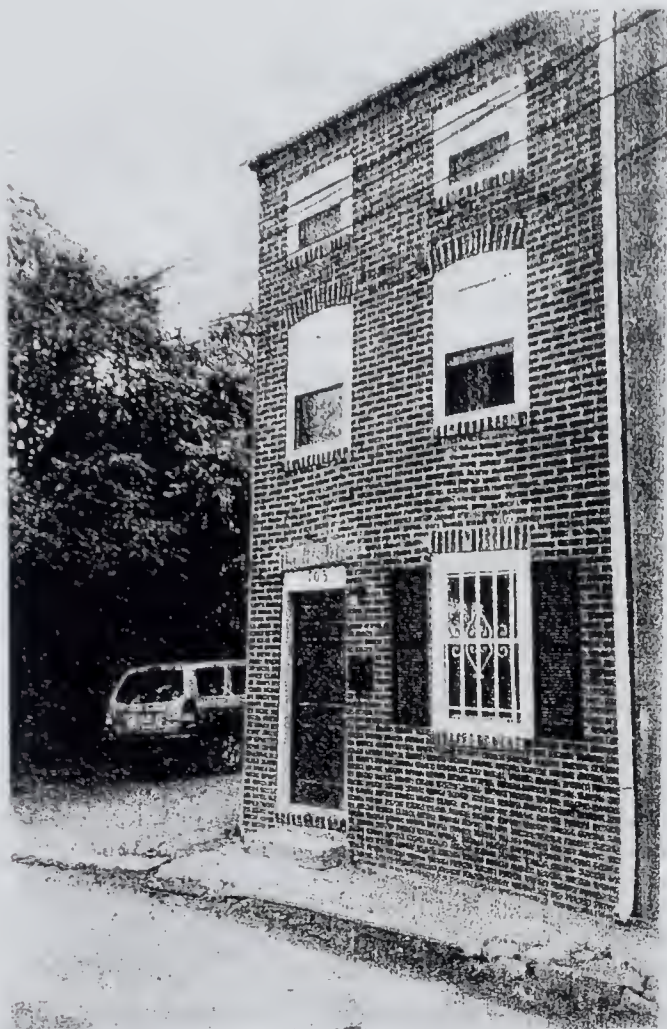
I would suppose that the "S" initial on the fob could have been his wife, daughter or a son , all qualifying as having a first name starting with the letter S. Not being a resident of Baltimore it was a problem as to how to further check out the physical layout of South Dallas St. As circumstances played out this past summer of 2004, my wife was scheduled to have a major eye operation performed by the Johns Hopkins Wilmer Eye Clinic, which would require several return trips for the doctors to do their follow-up procedures. This afforded the opportunity , with just a short

detour , to visit the street and see for myself what remained.

Most of the houses located in Fells Point and the surrounding area are row houses two or two and a half stories of brick construction, some are very old while newer ones date to pre civil war period. Many of the houses not located on a large thoroughfare were referred to in times past as, "alley houses", seeing as the streets were not a great deal wider than an alley. South Dallas Street definitely qualifies in this respect. Finding South Dallas St. and driving towards the 700 block led to a one way section towards the waterfront and directly to the unit block I was searching for. What a disappointment.....All but one house had been torn down and a makeshift parking lot consumed both sides of the street. The remaining home was free standing with a large attached private parking area for at least two cars. The address for the remaining dwelling was 705, which would have been three houses away from the Wodka residence. I am sure the entire block of homes were identical in design and square footage. So at least we had a good pattern of what they looked like then as well as now. The very end structure on the south or waterfront direction was a larger commercial building housing an architectural firm that must have used some of the parking spaces for their employees. Thank goodness the street was one way as I doubt that cars could pass one another.

The remaining house had been re-habilitated and presented itself in a upscale mode, although by itself, with no neighbors in near proximity. Thus my inquiry into the Wodka family home has been answered. There are yet a few remaining questions left hanging. What was Mr. Wodka's profession? Who removed the buildings on this and other adjoining blocks, the City of Baltimore or private developers? Why was just one home restored and left? Why, and how, does an inexpensive charm or tourist keepsake from downtown Baltimore find it's way 60 years later to a coin shop in Jessup Maryland?

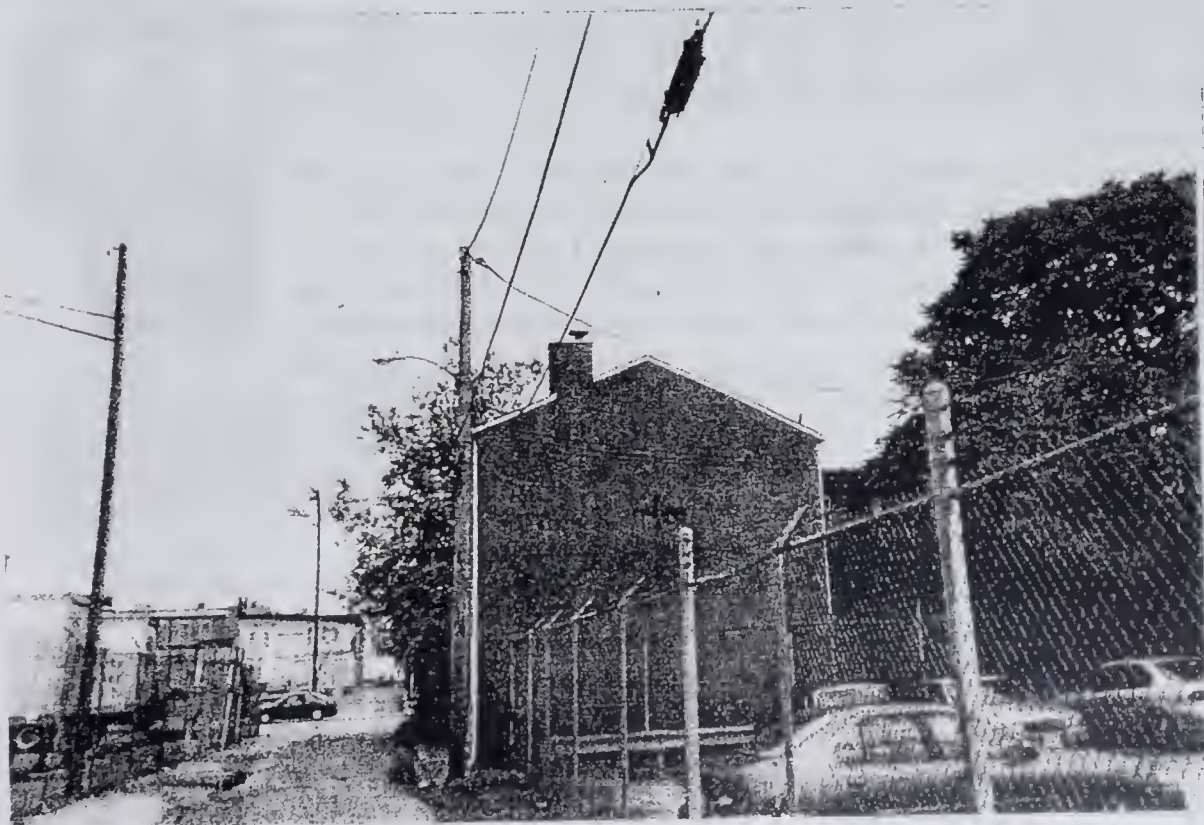




The only house remaining today on South Dallas St. is number 705, would have been three houses removed from the Wodka home.

.....Below.....

South Dallas St. featuring the make-shift parking lots on both sides of the narrow street.



MARYLAND CASINO CHIPS AND GAMING TOKENS

John Hammond & Millard Hajek

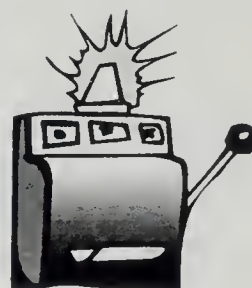


Gambling chips are used at casinos and clubs as a money substitute in the playing of cards and other games and first appeared in the 1920's and 1930's. The chips are about silver dollar size and of a plastic or clay-like composition. The chips of gambling casinos are well made, usually with a gold lettering. Other chips have a multicolored legend or scene on a white center, or a central metallic insert and many color stripes or inserts going across the edge. All these features make the chips harder to counterfeit. In addition, most large casinos periodically change their chip designs, resulting in many types and varieties of chips being used from a single casino over the years.

Up to 1964, the gambling casinos in Nevada widely used old silver dollars at their gaming tables and a few dollar slot machines. But they quickly disappeared from circulation when the rise in the value of silver made the silver dollars' bullion value worth more than face value. To replace the hoarded silver dollars, casinos ordered, in 1965, dollar gaming tokens, about the size of a silver dollar. Some casinos also ordered half dollar tokens, and to a lesser extent, \$2, \$2½, and \$5 tokens made of metal. In 1979, the newly issued government Eisenhower dollar coins eliminated the necessity for tokens. Many of the mid to late 1960's gaming tokens were struck by the Franklin Mint. In 1979 the Ike dollars began to disappear from casinos as a result of the unpopular Susan B. Anthony mini-dollar coin. All the casinos began issuing tokens similar to those of the 1960s. The use of gaming tokens has become more widespread since 1979, with large numbers of them minted for use in many dollar slot machines which became very popular with gamblers at the time, and continue today.

Beginning in 1990, a new trend seemed to develop where casinos took more pride and interest in their tokens and chips. They became aware of the profits they made when collectors bought their tokens and chips, and visitors took them home as souvenirs.

The "slots" bill to bring slots to Maryland has been an on- again, off-again proposition that the state legislature has not been unable to agree on to date. But did you know that slots and gambling halls are not new to Maryland? Slot machines were in many restaurants, bars, clubs, and other businesses during the 1960's and earlier years in Southern Maryland when I traveled there for my job. Fire Department stations and other gambling establishments issued chips used for playing poker and other card games. They soon were declared illegal in Maryland and disappeared but the remnants of slots and gambling establishments along with their memories still remain in the form of "chips". Following illustrations of some chips used in Maryland during that time.

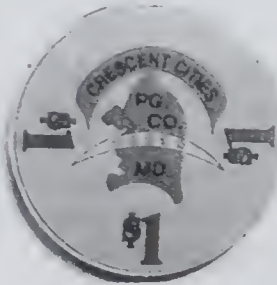


Reference: Tokens and Medals, A Guide to the Identification and Values of United States Exonumia, First edition, 1992. By Stephen P. Alpert and Lawrence E. Elman



OB: **ARBUTUS / \$1 / VOL. FIRE DEPT.** in black letters on a white plastic circular disc insert in a light gray clay composition disc 40mm in diameter with design around circumference

RV: same



OB: Logo with **CRESCENT CITIES** on a curved green ribbon, with PG. / CO. / 5 stars on a yellow ribbon / MD. all on green map outline of Prince George's County with \$1 to left, right and bottom in dark blue on a light blue fabric on a white plastic disc 40mm in diameter

RV: same



OB. & RV. similar to **CRESCENT CITIES** above but on a dark red fabric on a white plastic disc 40mm in diameter with \$5 denominations to left, right and bottom in yellow

RV: same



OB: **BERWYN HEIGHTS** / yellow square with **TRUCK** at top, ladder to left, to right and **SQUAD** at bottom with \$5 in center / **VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPT. & R. S.** all on a white plastic disc insert on a bright red clay composition disc with purple and green bars at top, left, right and bottom

RV: same



OB: **BLABENSBURG** in white letters / **VOLUNTEER / FIRE DEPT.** in black letters / red fire truck / \$2.50 in white letters all on yellow fabric on a white plastic disc 40 mm in diameter with top hats and canes design around circumference



RV: fire department logo with ENGINE at top / fire plug to right / 9 in center / ladder to right / COMPANY at bottom all in black on yellow fabric on a white plastic disc 40mm in diameter with top hats and canes design around circumference



OB: **ZAMB** incuse in gold letters in center on a pink clay composition disc 40 mm in diameter with incuse design of top hats and canes around circumference



RV: **\$250** incuse in gold letters in center on a pink clay composition disc 40 mm in diameter with incuse design of top hat and canes around circumference



OB: **\$1 / 40 WEST** all incuse on a blue clay composition disc 40 mm in diameter with incuse diamonds design around circumference.



RV: black B in center on blue clay composition disc 40 mm in diameter with incuse diamonds design around circumference

Maryland Aeries of the Fraternal Order of Eagles(FOE)

Several years ago I wrote an article for the Maryland TAMS Journal about Maryland tokens and medals of the Fraternal Order of Eagles. I have recently obtained authoritative information on all the aeries(i.e. chapters) that have existed in the U.S. or elsewhere over the last 107 years since the organization's founding.

Many FOE tokens do not fully identify themselves. Often, only the FOE eagle and/or a number(the aerie number) are shown. Some only say "FOE" or use the term "aerie".

Most often they are "good fors"(e.g. for a bath, meal, drink, dance or merchandise), but they vary greatly in all their particulars. As I am hoping to publish a mini-catalogue of FOE exonomia, I am listing here all the aeries ever instituted in Maryland in the hopes that it may aid collectors in maverick identification.

"Instituted" turns out to be a very comprehensive word, as some of Maryland's total of 25 aeries were short lived. About half were formed more than 100 years ago. Only nine exist today. Some had a long history and then(e.g. Aberdeen) merged into another aerie or were otherwise dissolved. Brentwood's had an 81 year history before disappearing. Poplar Springs lasted only a year. Kitzmillerville merged into Piedmont WV. Frederick celebrated its centennial as I was writing this article(established May 11, 1905)

Aerie Number	Location (nickname)	Status	Disposition
59	Baltimore	NLE	merged into Gaithersberg
125	Brentwood/DC	NLE	existed 81 years
245	Cumberland	Active	
694	Hagerstown	Active	
773	Lonaconing	NLE	existed 31 years
819	Baltimore(Chesapeake)	Active	
1067	Frederick	Active	
1078	Westminster	NLE	existed 20 years
1121	Midland(Paradise)	NLE	existed 11 years
1136	Brunswick	Active	
1273	Frostburg	Active	
1363	Annapolis	NLE	existed 23 years
1596	Havre de Grace(Havrelin)	NLE	existed 29 years
1698	Oakland(Oak Ridge)	NLE	existed 2 years
1838	Kitzmillersville	NLE	merged into Piedmont WV, which itself merged into 245
2883	Cresaptown	Active	
3209	Baltimore(Monumental)	NLE	existed 28 years
3230	Rockville	NLE	existed 20 years
3474	College Park	NLE	existed 3 years
3509	Gaithersburg	Active	
3535	Cambridge(East New Market)	NLE	existed 8 years
3584	Poplar Springs	NLE	existed 1 year
3780	Monrovia(Green Valley)	NLE	existed 5 years
3786	Aberdeen	NLE	merged into 4378
4378	Westminster	Active	

Next time you are in touch with your local historical society or in your local library, see if it has anything on "your" local FOE aerie. If you find something interesting, please let me know. If you know of or own any tokens or other exonomia from Maryland aeries, please also let me know.

One day in 1972, I was sitting with a friend in the FOE aerie in Cumberland. The building which housed the aerie was about to be "deconstructed" to make way for a new public safety building and files long ignored were being opened. Someone found a small box with a few aerie 245 tokens in it. I was fascinated. I got a few. I'm still fascinated.

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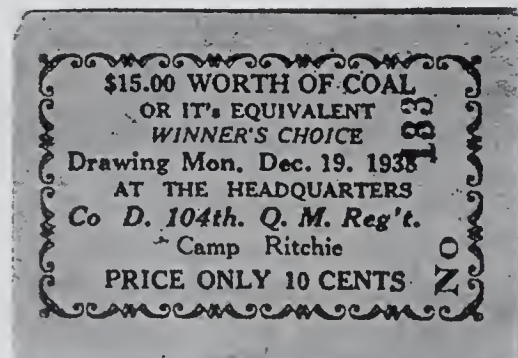
Maryland Military Lottery Ticket

By Jim Shipley C40

On May 7th while hunting collectibles in West Virginia the below lottery ticket appeared in some WW II paper. Research in the 1940 Maryland National Guard history indicated Co. D 104th QM Regiment was composed of men from headquarters Co. Company C and Company G of the Fifth Infantry on a split drill basis. On April 3, 1939 the unit was reorganized in Denton, Caroline County. As the Fifth Infantry was a Baltimore Regiment there is a good chance some may show up in Baltimore. Are any of these tickets in the collections of MD TAMS members?

My analysis of the ticket is that the enlisted men in the absence of any company funds were raising money for a Christmas or New Years party. In 1938 ten cents went a long way. The price of a movie ticket at the city opera house in Frederick was eleven cents. Three pop bottles at two cents deposit each plus five cents for a bunch of flowers from my cousin Katie equaled an admission for a cowboy movie.

Now that Fort Ritchie is closed. This collectable from Camp Ritchie is a treasure to me. The number 133 indicates that thirteen dollars and thirty cents had been raised so far! Still a bit to go just to pay off the winner. It would be neat to know the rest of the story...???





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On the rainy weekend of 8 – 9 October 2005, the Maryland State Numismatic Association (MSNA) held their 33rd Annual Convention and Coin Show in Ocean City Maryland. This is the first time that the coastal resort town was the site of a major coin show in recent memory.

The show had approximately 70 tables of dealers and 14 cases of exhibits. On Saturday about 1400 collectors registered and on Sunday about 200 more. Show attendees each received an elongated one-cent piece with show design and a elongated Keelboat nickel with a design to commemorate the MD TAMS meeting in OC.

Dealer comments ranged from “had a great show to I was a little disappointed”. Most were pleased with the location and activity. A number of dealers submitted bourse contracts for the 2006 show in Ocean City prior to leaving on Sunday.

The Salisbury Coin Club served as the local Host Club. At the MSNA Annual meeting, President Edward Craig handed the gavel over to in coming President Simcha Kuritzky.

For the exhibits, Gerald Kochel, of Lititz, PA took home the MSNA Best of Show Award. Millard Hajek of Baltimore, MD took home both the People’s Choice award and the MD TAMS, Best Token & Medal Exhibit Award.

MD TAMS held a meeting in conjunction with show during which MSNA displayed a unique 5 coin elongated set rolled on 2005 silver quarters with the MSNA show design. This set was donated to MSNA by Metro Coin and Currency.

Winner’s of the raffle were: Mary Herra of Dallas TX; Ella Woytanowski of Bayville NJ; David A. Seibold of Ocean City MD; April Folckemer of Clarence Center NY and J. C Harmsway of Washington DC.

The MSNA show is scheduled for 7 – 8, October 2006 in the Ocean City (Roland E. Powell) Convention Center.

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